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Examiner: Francis J. Jaworski

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97**

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97(b) and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits legible copies of the following relevant arts along with the Form PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

A. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 8-299341 published in Japan on November 19, 1996; and

B. "Significance of stress echocardiography for ischemic heart disease", written by Naoko Yasugi and Samon Koyanagi, Supplemental Issue of *Clinical Laboratory Test*, published by Igaku-Shoin Ltd., October 30, 2001, Vol. 45, No. 11, pp. 1315-1320.

The above-listed prior art are cited in the Office Action of April 25, 2006 by the Japanese Patent Office for Japanese patent application No. 2002-370173 which is a counterpart application to the above-identified U.S. application. A copy of the Office Action and an English translation of the reasons of rejection shown in the Office Action are enclosed. In addition, an English translation of relevant sections of prior art A is also enclosed together with an English language abstract. Accordingly, pursuant to MPEP §609, the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) for each one of the enclosed non-English

language prior art is satisfied, and an English concise explanation thereof is omitted herein.

In addition, Applicant filed an Information Disclosure Statement on March 22, 2006. However, it appears that this IDS has never reached the Patent Office since it does not show up in the transaction history section of the USPTO website. Accordingly, a copy of the March 22, 2006 IDS together with PTO Form-1449 and five copies of the cited references are enclosed for the Examiner's consideration.

In view of the above, it is therefore respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant arts and consider them.

Respectfully submitted,

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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97(b) and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits legible copies of the following relevant arts along with the Form PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

- A. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2002-306483 published in Japan on October 22, 2002;
- B. U.S. Patent No. 5,706,816 issued to Mochizuki et al. on January 13, 1998 (which corresponds to Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 10-33538 cited in the Office Action);
- C. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 6-285065 published in Japan on October 11, 1994;
- D. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 8-19540 published in Japan on January 23, 1996; and
- E. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 8-66397 published in Japan on March 12, 1996 (which corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,513,640).

The above-listed prior art are cited in the Office Action of January 31, 2006 by the

Japanese Patent Office for Japanese patent application No. 2002-370173 which is a counterpart application to the above-identified U.S. application. Copies of the Japanese Office Action together with the English translation of the Office Action are enclosed. The prior art A and C-E are in Japanese, and the English translation of each one of these prior arts is not available at this time to the undersigned. However, an English language abstract is attached to each one of these non-English prior art. Accordingly, pursuant to MPEP Section 609, the requirement for a concise explanation of the relevance is satisfied, and an English concise explanation of each one of these prior art is omitted herein.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c)(1), the required statement is presented as follows:

Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

In view of the above, it is therefore respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant arts and consider them.

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